Memorial Contest 2020 Results

The activity participation level of the **75th anniversary** contest was far higher than other recent years and feedback received from a good number of participants was that this made the contest more enjoyable for them. Special thanks must go to all of our VK neighbours who also joined in the fun, in fact the number of the VK stations who participated is the highest I can remember.

Callsign	QSO Phone	QSO CW	Points	Prefixes	Score
Mixed Phone & CW:					
ZL1XH	181	98	377	12	6786
ZL2AUA	135	98	331	14	4634
ZL3AC	107	80	267	11	2937
ZL3NB	72	88	248	11	2728
ZL2AUB	101	61	223	12	2676
ZL2AQL	83	52	187	11	2057
ZL3RIK	112	19	150	11	1640
Phone Only:					
ZL1JV (ZL1KNI)	234		234	11	2574
ZL1XS	159		159	9	1431
ZL2FE	157		157	9	1413
ZL4RMF	175		175	8	1392
VK4ZD	129		129	9	1161
VK7GH	148		148	8	1148
ZL4GQ (ZL3DE)	136		136	8	1088
ZL2W (ZL2CC)	104		104	10	1040
ZL1WL	117		117	7	919
ZL1FAB	108		108	7	756
ZL1UTH	117		117	6	702
ZL1KR	100		100	6	600
ZL2SKY	99		99	6	594
ZL2FD	23		23	4	92
ZL2JR	24		24	3	72
VK4SKI	11		11	3	33
CW Only:					
ZL1BBW		122	244	7	1708
ZL2AGY		113	226	7	1582
ZL1NZ		112	224	7	1568
ZL1TM		117	234	6	1404
ZL1BYZ		108	216	6	1296

ZL2JU	91	182	6	1092
ZL3GD	101	202	5	1010
ZL3GA	98	196	5	980
ZL1BWG	96	192	5	960
ZL2GVA	81	162	5	810
VK2GR	63	126	5	630
VK3HJ	64	128	4	512
VK2PN	36	72	5	360
VK5LJ	7	14	2	28

Checklogs: ZL4QD, ZL2BR

Active Stations		**Logs Received**	
ZL	44	SSB only	17
VK	40	CW only	15
Total	84	Mixed SSB & CW	7
		Total	39

Logs: Out of the many hundreds and hundreds of AR contests that are held each year, there are only a handful that still accept paper logs. Being a very active contester I came to the conclusion a long time ago that computer software aided logging was the way of the future. I remember well having to paper and pen log 1000 plus contacts in a number of international contests, what a chore that was! Since taking on the role of NZART Contest Manager in 2010, I've always tried to encourage ZL contesters and especially Memorial contest participants to ditch paper logs in favour of computer generated logs.

However it should be noted that when we talk about computer logs, that this really means pain text logs in the internationally recognised and accepted **Cabrillo** format and definitely not Word/Excel, ODT, JPG or PDF files.

Currently two contest logging software programmes support the NZART Memorial contest; and produce Cabrillo format logs: **N1MM Logger** and **VKCL.** A big thank you goes to **Mike VK3AVV** the author of VKCL who recently updated VKCL to enable his programme to generate Cabrillo format logs.

Here is a breakdown of the logs received this year: Cabrillo format logs - 20, older version VKCL logs non-Cabrillo - 9, other electronic logs - 7, and paper logs just 3. What a fantastic result! So well done everyone and especially those you who were using a computer contest logging programme for the very first time.

Why Cabrillo logs?: I well remember that for many international contests it could take almost a full year to get the results of the previous contest out before the current years contest started. Okay 30-40 or so logs in small contests such as the Memorial contest shouldn't take a year to adjudicate , but it's still takes a good amount of work and time to check logs fairly and thus make sure that the efforts of all participants is recognised in a timely manner. So just about all contests organisers/adjudicators now use computer contest log checking software to speed up the task and ensure the results are as accurate as possible. I am using the **W3KM CabEvaluator** software to check and score the logs. A very big thanks went to Dave W3KM for writing the special routines needed for the Memorial contest.